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ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002 Conference Report

SUMMARY

The Energy and Water Development appropriations bill from the committee on conference (H.R. 2311, H. Rept. 107-258) provides \$24.596 billion in budget authority [BA] and \$24.77 billion in outlays for fiscal year 2002.

As reported, the conferees' agreement exceeds the appropriate 302(b) allocation and violates the Congressional Budget Act. Nevertheless, pursuant to the bipartisan

agreement between the Congress and the administration, the House Budget Committee has reported a bill (H.R. 3084) increasing the appropriate levels in the budget resolution (H. Con. Res. 83) and the discretionary spending limits established in the Deficit Control Act. Enactment of this legislation will allow the Committee on Appropriations to revise its subcommittee allocations and, thus, ensure that the bill is in compliance with the budget resolution as revised.

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Conference Report (fiscal years; millions of dollars)								
	2001 Enacted	2001 Enacted Administration 2002 Request House Passed						
Budget Authority	24,043	22,479	23,705	24,596				
Outlays	23,144	23,067	24,218	24,770				

DISCUSSION

The conference report provides an increase of \$2.117 billion in BA above the President's request, and \$891 million in BA above the amount passed by the House. Of the total BA increase above the House-passed level, almost three-fourths (\$663 million) is for the Department of Energy's defense-related programs, with \$608 million of that increase for the National Nuclear Security Administration.

Other increases are for science and energy supply in the Energy Department, water projects in the Bureau of Reclamation, and funding for the Denali Commission.

The table on the following page provides a comparison, by agency, of the amount provided in the conference agreement and the House-passed bill.

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Discretionary Spending in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Conference Report (fiscal year 2002; in millions of dollars)									
	House Passed		Conference		Difference				
	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays			
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	4,471	4,517	4,500	4,537	29	20			
Department of Interior/Bureau of Reclamation	795	856	855	895	60	39			
Department of Energy	18,300	18,677	19,054	19,148	754	471			
Defense	13,875	14,126	14,538	14,554	663	428			
Nondefense	4,425	4,551	4,516	4,594	91	43			
Independent Agencies	139	168	187	190	48	22			